



## *Prep Patter* our news bulletin

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## DPHS NEWS AND RESULTS

### BULLETIN 14: WEDNESDAY 25 APRIL 2018

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### MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF THE HEADMASTER

Out of the forties and now into the thirties which means that there are '39' academic school days left to enjoy of this second quarter. This month has really been disrupted with the long-weekend/s and public holidays but we do return next week to follow a full month of May and June.

#### Tours

Our U11 Tennis Squad left yesterday to spend this long weekend in Bethlehem where they will participate in an U11 National Schools Tennis Tournament. We are really looking forward to positive results from this squad which we can share on their return. Thank you to the parents for your support in transport and assistance in making this tour happen. I really do appreciate the attendance and efforts of our staff members with the squad namely Mrs Smith, Miss Laatz and Mr Khoza who so willingly give up their personal/family time to be with the team during this holiday period.

May this tour be rewarding for all partners, especially for our young men!

The 1st XV Rugby Squad will be travelling to the Trinityhouse Rugby Festival in Gauteng next week from Thursday onwards. Our 1st XV have been playing some attractive, positive rugby with pleasing results so far - I look forward to this continued success and commitment at this festival where many well known rugby schools will be present. Best wishes and thank you to our coaches/staff on tour namely Mr Dick, Mr Jali and Mr Carroll. May Prep fly the flag high on and off the field. I look forward to celebrating with the 1st team staff, boys and parents who will be there.

It really is encouraging to note that the U10 Rugby Tour to Gauteng in the middle of May is affording every U10 player the opportunity to enjoy a tour experience. This is going to be a wonderful opportunity for staff, boys and parents to experience at this young age. Once again we know that there will be some good rugby teams/fixtures to challenge us but I have the utmost confidence that these young men will rise to the challenge and return home with the fondest of memories.

### Staff News

#### **Congratulations to:**

**Mr Gareth May** who has just been selected as the goalkeeper for the South African Mens Water Polo Team. This is an amazing achievement for this young man to be **recognized** for this National selection to tour overseas to Prague in the near future. We at DPHS are extremely proud of Mr May's selection and we know that he will serve his country with pride and distinction.

**Mrs Lydia Bush** was complimented last week on her winning of the 100m and 200m sprint races at the KZN Championships, in her age group. Mrs Bush will now travel to Bloemfontein this coming weekend to compete in the SA National Championships, in her category - we do believe that Mrs Bush will excel in her efforts and wish her an abundance of Prep support to carry her through, to hopefully that SA Gold Medal. Go for it Mrs Bush!

### Cultural News

The Senior Primary phase were treated to a Jazz Concert presented by some top musicians and teachers of music here in the Maurice Wilkinson Hall today. This is yet again another presentation to show the school's effort to appreciate the interests and talents of all learners, especially in the code of music. It was clearly obvious from the reaction of the audience how this show was so appreciated with our own boys who are currently having instrumental music lessons, also composing a Jazz-loop which will be entered into a National Casio Keyboard Competition. I personally hope that more boys were inspired now to join the music culture in our school, by either learning to play an instrument here or by joining our Choir.

Bravo Prep - Encore!

### Extra Murals

I was so impressed with the attendance noted at our mini rugby for Grade 1 and Grade 2 on Saturday morning.

The energy levels expressed amongst all partners of staff, coaches in dads, supporters and especially the boys warmed the heart. It is clearly obvious that the rugby skills provided here on a weekly basis helps to lay down the solid foundation of success and involvement as noted in the years that follow: Thank you Prep for providing our boys with this opportunity to enjoy some rugby fun.

It was then on to Westridge Tennis Club for a new initiative at Prep in the code of tennis where our boys filled the many courts there until midday competing in our Junior and Senior Inter House Competition - over some 100 matches played in the doubles and individual rounds. It was also so encouraging to see so many parents in attendance and our four house colours of Prep splashed across the courts. This gave many more boys the opportunity to participate by representing their House without any clashes with other extra-mural activities, as the rugby fixtures had been played on this past Friday. Long may this initiative continue on the calendar of Prep events going forward. Thank you to Mrs Smith and Mrs Miloszewski for your overall co-ordinating of this event.

The rugby matches played on Friday were of a high Prep standard against Pelham and Port Natal producing an afternoon of a full house of victories for Prep. The team cohesion and structures noted throughout the Prep sides was clearly evident with the rehearsed drills at practices paying dividends. Well done to all the coaches and boys for an afternoon of polished rugby. May

this standard and success continue today in the 20 fixtures for our teams from U9/10/11/13 age groups against four schools namely Clifton, Equisweni, Northlands and Umhlali. Go for it Prep!

### Reception Unit News

Well done and thank you to the combined efforts of the Grade R staff and parents who attended the Grade R Activity evening last week. It was so pleasing to note the large number of parents from each class who were present to design and build an item/model for their son to receive as a surprise when he arrived at school the next morning. The excitement and huge smiles on each face were just reward for the parents who were so involved and committed to create these masterpieces.

Well done and thank you.

Congratulations to the Grade R boys, staff and parents for ensuring that the children made the necessary effort to transform themselves into the book characters they had chosen to represent here at school on Monday - a most valuable learning experience!

### Appearance

Thank you to the many boys and families who make the constant effort to present themselves neatly for the academic day and then their respective extra-mural activities, by being neatly attired for practices and fixtures. This request of maintaining our levels of excellence must be monitored by all partners, so that we as the Prep Community and the general public continue to respect his standard of appearance by all Prep boys. Please focus on haircuts, no mops of hair on the top of the head, blazer buttons, garters, polished shoes and boots etc. throughout each day and week this term.

A proudly Prep focus!

### **TEAM TALK**

#### **VERSES PELHAM AND PORT NATAL**

<b>TEAM</b>	<b>RESULT</b>	<b>MEMORY</b>
2nd	W 63-0	Total Rugby
3rd	W 56-0	Great linking between backs and forwards to score good team tries
4th	W 29-17	Mighty tackles made. Much better second half to achieve a win
5th	W 56-0	Great distribution from the backs
U11A	W 58-0	Champion rugby from start to finish
U11B	W 37-0	Stayed focused throughout the game
U11C	W 12-5	Hard running noticed at times
U10A	W 43-0	Forward dominance leading to great backline tries
U10B	W 46-0	Well worked tries by the whole team
U10C	W 27-0	Great on defence and attack

### REMEMBER PREP BOYS

<u><b>DON'T</b></u>	<u><b>DO</b></u>
Misbehave on tour.	Set the highest standards of behaviour whilst on tour.
Forget to also acknowledge the achievements of the staff.	Proudly share the achievements of staff with their family/friends.
Play-down the talents of Prep boys in the cultural pillar.	Value and respect the multi-talented boys involved in cultural activities at Prep.
Disrespect any of the 4 Houses in our school.	Compliment achievements and success of all houses at Prep.

Forget to recognise the efforts and achievements of our Grade R and JP learners and staff.

Value the efforts of all learners and staff in our Foundation grades.

### **MR PREP - CONGRATULATIONS**

Junior Primary - Leo Brown - Grade 3 Logan

Senior Primary - Ahmed Iqbal Vally - Grade 4 Johnston

### **HEADMASTER'S QUOTE FOR THE WEEK**

“If you realized how powerful your thoughts are, you would never think a negative thought”

**B WILSON**  
Headmaster

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## **CONGRATULATIONS**

A reminder to send us your news and achievements to [cmccarthy@dphs.co.za](mailto:cmccarthy@dphs.co.za) for inclusion in the Prep Patter

### **TOP ARTISTS OF THE WEEK**

Grade 3: Muhammad Cassim, John-Alan Harding

Grade 4: James Mallett, Richard Port

Grade 5: Axel Hayes, Nitai Pertab

Grade 6: Hamza Joosab, Guy Joughin

Grade 7: Storm Gilchrist, Angus Arro

Sebastian Laudenberg was awarded 5 gold medals and best U10 Swimmer at Top Squads Gala.

## **CALENDAR**

Wednesday 25 April	Bethlehem Tennis Tour - U10 Rugby vs Clifton (H)	14h00
Thursday 26 April	Bethlehem Tennis Tour - U10	
Friday 27 April	Bethlehem Tennis Tour - U10 Public Holiday - Freedom Day	
Saturday 28 April	Bethlehem Tennis Tour - U10 No Sport - Long Weekend Sharks - Bye	
Sunday 29 April	Bethlehem Tennis Tour - U10	
Monday 30 April	School Holiday	
Tuesday 01 May	Public Holiday - Workers Day	
Wednesday 02 May	Staff Meeting	09h30

## **RECEPTION UNIT NEWS**

We started the week off with our own celebration of World Book Day on Monday and it was lovely to be greeted enthusiastically by the boys as they arrived at school dressed as their favourite book characters. The staff also made a great effort and the fun vibe in the school lasted all morning. Thank you for encouraging your boys to participate in this event which celebrated reading and the love of books.

Thanks also for the wonderful support received at our Parents' Activity Evening last Thursday. We hope that you enjoyed yourselves as much as we enjoyed watching you! The buzz in the locker room the following morning was electric and the boys were so impressed with the creations awaiting them. Grateful thanks to the Blue Group parents who generously donated the delicious eats for this event. Your support is very much appreciated.

Mrs Mary Goosen, our Green Group teacher, has taken special leave to attend her daughter's graduation in America. She will be away from school from Wednesday 2nd May till Friday 18th May. Val Cotterell, a former Green Group teacher and long serving member of the DPHS staff, will be teaching the class during this time, with the support of Tayla Deare, our Green Group teacher assistant. We wish Mary Goosen a wonderful trip and know how much she is looking forward to spending this special time with her daughter, Jade.

Please remember that puzzle library starts next Thursday 3rd May. If you would still like your son to join please do so by then.

We hope that you all have a wonderful long weekend

## JUNIOR PRIMARY NEWS

The JP boys attended a dog bite prevention education programme on Monday. The boys learnt, through positive messages, physical activity and interactive games, how to read dog body language and how to act safely around dogs. Each class was presented with a certificate of participation and follow up activities.

The U9 Rugby teams are wished well for their mid-week fixtures.

Parents are reminded that there is no sport over this long weekend and we trust that everyone will be able to take the opportunity during this extended break to enjoy some extra family time while celebrating two important days in our country's annual calendar.

## MERIT AWARDS 🏆

Congratulations to this week's recipients

WEEKLY MERIT AWARD "WELL DONE" 😊			
CLASS		NAME	REASON
GRADE 1	Langley	Ahmed Cassim	For his increasing work pace and huge efforts
		Muhammad Umayr Abdoozahim	For his enthusiasm in his reading group
	Greensill	Bandile Dlamini	For is diligent approach to all tasks
		Keshav Maharaj	For an improvement in his task completion
	May	Matthew Milligan	For his happy nature and good effort
		Ongani Moyo	For his steady progress in reading
	Twaddle	Yusuf Motala	For his improved task presentation
		Ahmed Kadwa	For trying hard to complete tasks on time
GRADE 2	Everitt	Quade Symmons	For his enthusiasm during group number work
		Aran Veersamy	For trying hard during reading group sessions

	<b>Bush</b>	Simo Makanya	For his beautifully presented work and for always giving of his best	
		Veer Ramouthar	For his diligent approach to his school work	
	<b>Martin</b>	Prince Radebe	For trying hard to complete tasks	
		Muhammed Sheik Jooman	For trying hard to present his work neatly	
	<b>Murphy</b>	Carter Burke	For trying hard to complete tasks on time	
		Michael Elliott	For trying hard to improve his handwriting	
	<b>GRADE 3</b>	<b>Veerasamy</b>	Mwezi Mqingwana	For his sense of fun and a positive start to the term
			Luke Fayers	For his smile and positive approach to all tasks
<b>Logan</b>		Michael Jansen	For trying hard to complete all his work	
		Matthew Southwood	For being brave and always having a smile	
<b>Marklew</b>		Muhammad Seedat	For his good maths skills	
		Sam Neill	For his cheerful demeanour and helpful nature	
<b>Vawda</b>		Joshua van Dongen	For his lovely efforts in mathematics	
		Keegan Boucher	For his cheerful nature and his lovely reading	

### Junior Primary Paper Recycling Challenge

#### Recyclers of the Week

1st Grade 3 Vawda (6m 80cm)

2nd Grade 2 Martin (4m 40cm)

## SPORTS NEWS

### Rugby

#### Results

DATE/ DAY	TEAM	OPPONENTS	RESULT
20-Apr-18 Fri	2nd	Pelham 2nds	W 63-0
	3rd	Pelham 12A	W 56-0
	4th	Port Natal 1st	W 29-17
	5th	Pelham 4th	W 56-0
	11A	Pelham 11A	W 58-0
	11B	Port Natal 11A	W 37-0
	11C	Pelham 11B	W 12-5
	10A	Pelham 10A	W 43-0
	10B (10 man)	Port Natal 10A	W 46-0

	10C	Pelham 10B	W 27-0
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## Fixtures

DPHS RUGBY FIXTURES WEEK 3 OF TERM 2				
DATE/DAY	TEAM	OPPONENTS	VENUE	TIME
25-Apr-18 Wed	1st	Clifton	DPHS (Smith)	18h00
	2nd	Clifton	DPHS (Smith)	17h15
	3rd	Eqiniswaeni	DPHS (Smith)	15h00
	4th	Clifton 3rd	DPHS (Smith)	15h45
	5th	Clifton 4th	DPHS (Walshaw)	17h15
	6th	Eqiniswaeni	DPHS (Smith)	14h15
	7th	Clifton 5th	DPHS (Walshaw)	16h30
	11A	Clifton	DPHS (Smith)	16h30
	11B	Eqiniswaeni	DPHS (Walshaw)	15h45
	11C	Clifton 11B	DPHS (Walshaw)	18h00
	10A	Eqiniswaeni	DPHS (Walshaw)	14h15
	10D (10 man)	Eqiniswaeni	DPHS (Walshaw)	15h00
	10B (10 man)	Northlands 10A	Northlands	15h10
	10C (10 Man)	Northlands 10B	Northlands	14h30
	9A	Umhlali 9A	Umhlali (Main)	17h20
	9B	Umhlali 9B	Umhlali (B Field)	16h30
	9C	Umhlali 9C	Umhlali (B Field)	16h30
	9D	Northlands	Northlands	15h10
	9E	Umhlali 9D	Umhlali (B Field)	15h50
	9F	Northlands	Northlands	14h30

## TENNIS

### House Matches Results

#### Juniors:

1st	Evans	39
2nd	Bullimore	38
3rd	Haysom	35
4th	Stubbs	14

#### Seniors:

1st	Bullimore	38
2nd	Evans	33
3rd	Haysom	31
4th	Stubbs	23

A special thank you to all the parents who attended and enjoyed.

## DPHS ASSOCIATION

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### OLD BOY DOUBLE INTERNATIONAL HONOURS

Past DPHS teacher and Old Boy, Malcom Phillips'99, who was a regular representative of the SA Underwater Hockey team before relocating to live in Canada two years ago has recently been selected for the Canadian Underwater Hockey team. I stand to be corrected but Malcom is possibly the only DPHS Old Boy to enjoy the honour of representing two countries during his sporting career.

To be selected to play sport for your country requires loads of determination and hard work. To do this twice over in two different countries is a remarkable achievement. A big well done with good wishes from the DPHSA to Malcolm!

### **DPHS RUGBY TOURS (1ST XV AND ALL U10's) TO TRINITYHOUSE RAND PARK RIDGE**

This is a heads up and save the date call from the DPHSA to DPHS Old Boys, DPHSA members, DPHS supporters and rugby enthusiasts who live in Gauteng to make your way to Trinityhouse Randpark Ridge for the DPHS 1st team's visit to Trinityhouse for matches against Fairland (Thursday 3 May @ 18h15), Randhart (Friday 4 May @ 10h40) and Trinityhouse (Saturday 5 May @ 14h05). Our Headmaster, Barry Wilson, Coaches Mike Dick and Mthokozisi Jali, Manager Shaun Carroll, Team Captain Christopher Horak and the Team would welcome your support.

Two weeks later, Thursday 17 May to Saturday 19 May four teams of DPHS U10 Rugby players will visit Trinityhouse Randpark Ridge for a total of three matches against Trinityhouse and schools in the area. This tour is best described as "epic", all the U10 rugby players are included and will be touring overnight, a school first for most of the boys. The DPHSA is immensely proud of the DPHS U10 boys and the tour party. Please do your utmost to support the boys and the tour!

### **DPHSA CALL TO JOIN**

Parents and Old Boy are reminded of the School's ongoing invitation to join the DPHS Association.

The DPHSA is the official DPHS supporters brand. Branded supporters' caps and sleeveless body warmers are available for sale to members from the DPHS School Shop.

Your Association, the DPHSA, is a growing family of DPHS folk at the very heart and core of support for DPHS today and into the future.

A life-long membership cost is R300. Contact [rneave@dphs.co.za](mailto:rneave@dphs.co.za)

A list of DPHSA members is published annually in the DPHS Year Book.

## **GENERAL**

### **2018 TERM DATES**

(School will end for the year on 12 December 2018)

TERM 2: 10 April - 22 June

TERM 3: 17 July - 28 September

TERM 4: 09 October - 12 December

## **NEWS FROM DHS**

Supplied by Barry Coskey

On Saturday we hosted Michaelhouse which saw some fantastic rugby throughout the age groups. The 1st XV enjoyed another win beating House 27-14 whilst the U14A team were convincing winners on the day with a fantastic 52-0 win. Well done Gents.

This weekend the 1st XV and the U14A teams are participating in the Grey High School Rugby Festival. Good luck to our boys and safe travels.

### **1st XV**

28th April @ 11h40 - St. Andrews

30th April @ 14h00 - Garsfontein

### **U14A**

28th April @ 11h40 - Grey High



30th April @ 10h20 - Selborne College

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